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U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Attn: Elliott Staffin Office of International Corporate Finance Division of Corporation Finance Mail Stop 36-28 100 F Street, NE Washington, DC 20549 **USA**



Dear Sirs

Rule 12g3-2 Exemptions for American Depository Receipts ("ADR") **Neptune Orient Lines Limited** File No. 82-2605

NOL has today made two announcements in relation to the following:-

- 1) Press Release on NOL's submission of a binding bid to acquire the Hapag-Lloyd container shipping business on 26 September 2008; and
- Notice of a Change in the Percentage Level of a Substantial Shareholder's 2) Interest by AXA S.A.

Attached are copies of the relevant documents for your attention, please.

Yours faithfully

Mariorie Wee (Ms) Company Secretary PROCESSED

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Name of Announcer *	NEPTUNE ORIENT LINES LIMITED
Company Registration No.	196800632D
Announcement submitted on behalf of	NEPTUNE ORIENT LINES LIMITED
Announcement is submitted with respect to *	NEPTUNE ORIENT LINES LIMITED
Announcement is submitted by *	Ms Marjorle Wee and Ms Wong Kim Wah
Designation *	Company Secretaries
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Announcement Title *	NOL CONFIRMS BINDING BID MADE FOR HAPAG LLOYD
Description	Please see attached press release by NOL.
Attachments	
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

NOL Confirms Binding Bid Made for Hapag-Lloyd

Singapore, 29 September 2008: Neptune Orient Lines Limited (NOL) today confirmed it has submitted a binding bid to acquire the Hapag-Lloyd container shipping business.

NOL submitted its bid to acquire Hapag-Lloyd to the company's owner TUI AG on 26 September 2008.

Any agreement would be subject to the acceptance of the bid by TUI, regulatory approvals and shareholders' approval.

NOL remains bound by strict confidentiality undertakings, which legally restrict the company's ability to share information, and the details of the NOL bid remain confidential.

Further announcements will be made in the event of material developments in this matter.

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About NOL

Neptune Orient Lines (NOL) is a Singapore-based global container shipping, terminals and logistics company. Its container shipping arm, APL, provides world-class container shipping services and intermodal operations supported by leading-edge IT and e-commerce. Its terminals unit has one of the world's leading container terminal networks, with key gateway facilities in Asia and North America. Its logistics business, APL Logistics, provides international, end-to-end logistics services and solutions, employing the latest IT and data connectivity for maximum supply chain visibility and control. NOL web site: www.nol.com.sg

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<u>>></u>	PART I [Please complete this pa	rt]			
1.	Date of notice to issuer *		29-09-2008		
2.	Name of <u>Substantial Shareholder</u> *		AXA S.A.		
3.	Please tick one or more appropriate box(es): *				
	Notice of a Change in the Perocomplete Part III and IV]	centage L	evel of a Substantial Shareholder's Interest or Cessation of Interest. [Please		
>>	PART II				
1,	Date of change of [Select Option]				
2.	Name of Registered Holder				
3.	Circumstance(s) giving rise to the interest or change in interest		[Select Option]		
	# Please specify details				
4.	Information relating to shares held	in the na	me of the Registered Holder		
	No. of [Select Option] held be change	fore the			
	As a percentage of issued share of	apital	%		
	No. of N.A. which are subject notice	of this			

As a percentage of Issued share capital

Amount of consideration (excluding brokerage and stamp duties) per share paid or received

No. of N.A. held after the change

As a percentage of issued share capital %

>> PART III

Date of change of <u>Deemed Interest</u>

25-09-2008

2. The change in the percentage level

From 7.03 % To 6.98 %

 Circumstance(s) giving rise to the interest or change in interest # Others

Please specify details

See attached correspondence from AllianceBernstein (Singapore) Ltd.

4. A statement of whether the change in the percentage level is the result of a transaction or a series of transactions:

Series of transactions.

>> PART IV

1. Holdings of <u>Substantial Shareholder</u>, including direct and deemed interest:

	Direct	Deemed
No. of shares held before the change	0	103,603,799
As a percentage of issued share capital	0 %	7.03 %
No. of shares held after the change	0	102,927,799
As a percentage of Issued share capital	0 %	6.98 %

Footnotes

Please refer to the attached Notice from AllianceBernstein (Singapore) Ltd. and AXA S.A. Shareholding Summary Chart.

Computation of shareholding is based on NOL's issued shares of 1,472,706,789 as at 29 September 2008.

Attachments

Notice_from_AllianceBernstein_Singapore_29Sep08.pdf

AXA_S_A_Shareholding_Summary_Chart_250908.pdf

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Head of Market Control

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6273 1697

Attn:

Marjorie Wee/Wong Kim Wah

Company Secretary

Dear Sirs,

Notice Of Substantial Shareholder's Interests

1. In accordance with Section 137 of the Securities and Futures Act 2001, we hereby notify you that we are a substantial shareholder of the company identified below which is listed on SGX-ST ("listed company") and the particulars of our interest(s) in the shareholdings of the listed company are as follows:-

PART I [Please complete this Part]

1. Date of notice to listed company:

29th September 2008

2. Name of Substantial Shareholder:

AXA S.A.

3. Name of listed company:

Neptune Orient Lines Limited

4. Please tick one or more appropriate box(es):

- a New Substantial Shareholder's Interest.
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- √ a Change in the Percentage Level of a Substantial Shareholder's Interest or Cessation of Interest.

 [Please complete Parts III and IV]

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PART II - NOT APPLICABLE

- 1. Date of change of interest:
- 2. Name of Registered Holdor1:
- 3. Circumstance(s) giving rise to the interest or change in interest:
- 4. Information relating to shares held in the name of the Registered Holder; -

No. of shares held before the change: As a percentage of issued share capital:

No. of shares which are the subject of this notice: As a percentage of issued share capital:

Amount of consideration (excluding brokerage and stamp duties) per share paid or received:

No. of shares held after the change:
As a percentage of issued share capital:

PART III

1. Date of change of interest;

(25/09/2008)

2. The change in the percentage level:

From 7.03% to 6.98%

3. Circumstance(s) giving rise to the interest or change in interest:

AXA S.A. is deemed to have an interest in 102,927,799 shares in Neptune Orient Lines Limited through its affiliates. AllianceBernstein L.P. ("ABLP") and AXA Rosenberg investment Management Asia Pacific Ltd ("ARIMAP"). The holding represents shares held at ABLP and ARIMAP and owned by discretionary managed client accounts whereby ABLP and ARIMAP are entitled to exercise voting and/or disposal rights to these

4. A statement of whether the change in the percentage level is the result of a transaction or a series of transactions.

The change in the percentage level is the result of a series of transactions.

1. Holdings of Substantial Shareholder, including direct and deemed Interest: -

	Direct	Deemed
No. of shares held before the change:		103,603,799
As a percentage of issued share capital:		7.03%
No. of shares held after the change: As a percentage of issued share capital:		102,927,799 6.98%

- 2. Our contact details, should you have any queries regarding this Notice and its contents are as follows:-
 - Telephone number:- (65) 6230 4612 (a)
 - "Name of contact person:- Tan Sok Hoon, Compliance Officer (b)
 - Address:- 30 Cecil Street, #28-01 Prudential Tower, Singapore 049712 (c)

Yours faithfully,

Designation (if applicable): Compliance Officer of AllianceBernstein (Singapore) Ltd. For and on behalf of AXA SA

Date: 29th September 2008

Note:

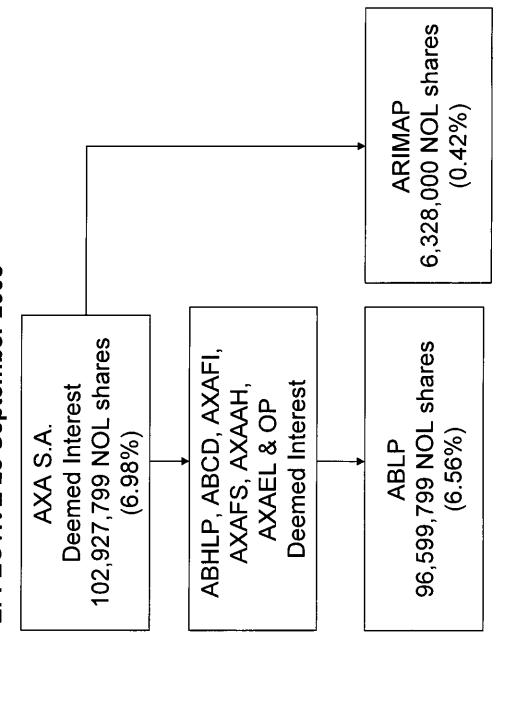
1 To fill in the name of registered holder if the shares of the listed company are not registered in the name of the

^{*}To be filled in if substantial shareholder is a company.

substantial shareholder. To be filled in regardless of whether the shares of listed company are or are not registered in the substantial shareholder's name.

^{*}please delete, whichever is the case

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDING IN NOL SHARES SUMMARY OF DEEMED INTEREST **EFFECTIVE 25 September 2008** AXA S.A.



ACRONYMS USED IN CHART

ABHLP: AllianceBernstein Holding L.P.

AllianceBernstein Corporation of Delaware ABCD

AXAFI: AXA Financial, Inc.

AXAFS: AXA Financial Services, LLC

AXAAH: AXA America Holdings, Inc.

AXAEL : AXA Equitable Life Insurance Company

: Oudinot Participations

ABLP: AllianceBernstein LP

AXA Rosenberg Investment Management Asia Pacific Ltd ARIMAP

